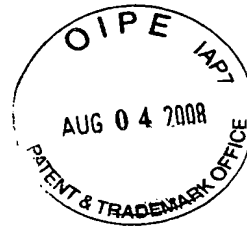


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Re application 10/562,525  
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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137 (a)

For the attention of –

Alesia M. Brown  
Patent Attorney,  
Office of Petitions.

I refer to your letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008.

Both the issues you raised have been dealt with.

Firstly the amendment to the address of the applicant has been registered.  
Copies of the forms mailed on the 17<sup>th</sup> July are attached.

The Petition form has now been has now been corrected to include the  
authorisation of both recorded applicants.

Please note that on two occasions the first renewal fee has been tendered only  
to be returned due to the application being recorded as abandoned.

Yours sincerely

Michael Smith



Michael Alexander Smith declares as follows

1. I am the applicant in the above application.
2. My reply to Mr Ernesto's Garcia's examination report was despatched on October 31<sup>st</sup> through New Zealand Post and DHL to the US Patent and Trademark Office. See copy of NZ Post receipt and Consignment note.
3. Enclosed with the reply was a bank draft for \$795.00 in keeping with the delayed response. See copy of Westpac Banking Corporation receipt.
4. Instructions on the consignment note were for the package to be returned if delivery could not be made. This was not done.
5. It is unclear what happened to the package after arrival in the US. Many conflicting remarks have been made by DHL. Ultimately the package was requested to be returned to New Zealand and although this has been done it still has not arrived in my possession.
6. New Zealand Post acknowledge that the package appears to be lost and confirm that in their letter of 13<sup>th</sup> February 2008. On going searches have continued but to date without success.
7. On the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2008 the first renewal fee was forwarded and this original documentation together with the fee is enclosed. This was returned by the USPTO due to the patent then being recorded as "Abandoned". This is now enclosed should this petition be accepted.

I humbly submit that the circumstances that befell the non arrival my reply to Mr Garcia's examination report were outside my control and that the failure of DHL to either deliver or promptly return my submission have resulted in an unavoidable outcome.

Your reinstatement of the Patent, acceptance of the reply to the examiners report and the recording of Payment of the maintenance fee would be greatly appreciated.

Signed

Name

MICHAEL  
ALEXANDER  
SMITH

Date

31 July 2008

CAROLYN  
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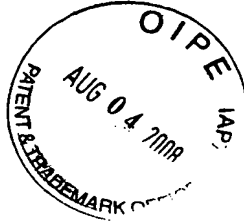
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Yours faithfully



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